

August 19, 2002

Public Notice for 401 Certification
Kali Subdivision
Sonoma County

On July 22, 2002 the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) received an application from Mr. Frank Denney, on behalf of the Housing Land Trust of Sonoma County, requesting approval for disturbances to waters of the state (wetlands) and other water quality impacts associated with the development of the proposed project.

As proposed, the project will impact 0.10 acre of riparian habitat in Roseland Creek. The project is located at 1071 and 1133 West Avenue, Santa Rosa, Sonoma County. The proposal includes the construction of a 10-lot subdivision, including restructuring and subsequent replanting of 0.10 acre of Roseland Creek. Roseland Creek splits the property nearly down the middle (0.73 acre on the North side, and 0.85 acre on the South side). Consequently, two 15-inch storm drains will be constructed to divert runoff from the property into the creek (one storm drain on each side). An additional 60-inch storm drain will also be installed downstream of the subdivision.

Construction in the creek is proposed to take place during the period of April 15 to October 15, 2002 or 2003 in order to avoid erosion problems and other water quality impacts that would be more prevalent during the winter months.

The City of Santa Rosa determined that the Kali Subdivision project qualified for coverage under the Southwest Santa Rosa Plan Master EIR. A 1601 Streambed Alteration Agreement from the California Department of Fish and Game was issued on May 30, 2002, and Federal Nationwide Permit Numbers 7 and 18, from the Army Corps of Engineers, were issued on May 6, 2002.

At this time the Regional Water Board is in the process of reviewing the proposed project regarding the issuance of the 401 Certification Permit. In addition, the Regional Water Board will consider all comments received during a 21-day comment period that begins on the first date of issuance of this letter. If you have any questions or comments, please contact staff member Lauren Hocker by email at hockl@rb1.swrcb.ca.gov, or send comments to the Regional Water Quality Control Board, 5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A, Santa Rosa, CA 95403.